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RE: Pain Management Codes

Providers,

Effective September 1, 2020, Empower will be lifting the prior authorization requirements for some pain management codes. All other pain management codes will continue to require a prior authorization. It is the responsibility of the provider to only bill for services they are approved for and certified to provide.

<b>Codes listed here have a benefit limit of 6 per year with an extension of benefits allowed.</b>			
HCPCS	20552	Trigger Point Injections 1/2 muscle	
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HCPCS	20610	Drain/injection of a major joint to relieve pain or swelling	
HCPCS	60210	Excision procedures on the Thyroid	
HCPCS	20611	Drain/Injection of the Joint/Bursa	
HCPCS	J1000	Injection, Depo-Estradiol Cypionate, Up to 5 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J1020	Injection, methylprednisolone acetate, 20 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J1030	Injection, methylprednisolone acetate, 40 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J1040	Injection, methylprednisolone acetate, 80 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J1094	Injection, dexamethasone acetate, 1 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J1700	Injection, Hydrocortisone Acetate, Up to 25 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J1710	Injection, Hydrocortisone Sodium Phosphate, Up to 50 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J1720	Injections Hydrocortisone Sodium Succinate, Up to 100 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J3300	Injection, Triamcinolone Acetonide Preservative Free, 1 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J3302	Injection, Triamcinolone Diacetate, Per 5 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J3303	Injection, Triamcinolone Hexacetonide, Per 5 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J3304	Injection, triamcinolone acetonide, preservative-free, extended-release, microsphere formulation, 1 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J0670	Injection, mepivacaine hydrochloride, per 10 ml	Injectable Medications

HCPCS	J0702	Injection, Betamethasone Acetate 3 mg and Betamethasone Sodium Phosphate 3 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J1885	Injection, Ketorolac Tromethamine, Per 15 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J2001	Injection, lidocaine hcl for intravenous infusion, 10 mg	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J2400	Injection, chlorprocaine hydrochloride, per 30 ml	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J2795	Injection, Ropivacaine Hydrochloride, 1 MG	Injectable Medications
HCPCS	J3301	Injection, triamcinolone acetonide, not otherwise specified, 10 mg	Injectable Medications

***Nerve block codes listed here should not require a PA if the POS is a hospital.***

CPT	64400	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; trigeminal nerve, each branch (ie, ophthalmic, maxillary, mandibular)
CPT	64405	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; greater occipital nerve
CPT	64408	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; vagus nerve
CPT	64415	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; brachial plexus
CPT	64417	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; axillary nerve
CPT	64418	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; suprascapular nerve
CPT	64420	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; intercostal nerve, single level
CPT	64421	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; intercostal nerve, each additional level
CPT	64425	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; ilioinguinal, iliohypogastric nerves
CPT	64430	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; pudendal nerve
CPT	64435	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; paracervical (uterine) nerve
CPT	64445	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; sciatic nerve
CPT	64447	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s); femoral nerve
CPT	64450	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; other peripheral nerve or branch
CPT	64454	Injection(s), anesthetic agent(s) and/or steroid; genicular nerve branches, including imaging guidance, when performed
CPT	64505	Injection, anesthetic agent; sphenopalatine ganglion
CPT	64510	Injection, anesthetic agent; stellate ganglion (cervical sympathetic)
CPT	64517	Injection, anesthetic agent; superior hypogastric plexus

Thank you.

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